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FOR: POLYNUCLEOTIDE ENCODING A NOVEL HUMAN

POTASSIUM CHANNEL BETA-SUBUNIT, K+betaM6, EXPRESSED HIGHLY IN THE SMALL INTESTINE

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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Final Rejection mailed June 3, 2003 having a term that expires on September 3, 2003. This paper is, therefore, timely filed. A Notice of Appeal, together with an authorization to charge the \$320.00 extension fee to Deposit Account No. 19-3880, is enclosed herewith.

Applicants submit that the following amendments place the application in better condition for appeal. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request that the amendments be entered and the application be reconsidered in light of the amendments and remarks that follow.